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Seventh Day **Tuesday Afternoon** January 14, 2020

The invocation was offered by Reverend Randy Scott of Pentecostals of Southlake in Merrillville, a guest of Representative Beck.

The House convened at 1:30 p.m. with Speaker Brian C. Bosma in the Chair.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag was led by Representative McNamara.

The Speaker ordered the roll of the House to be called:

Abbott Jackson Jordan Austin Aylesworth Judy Bacon Karickhoff Baird Kirchhofer Barrett Klinker Bartels Lauer Bartlett Lehe Bauer Lehman Beck Leonard Behning Lindauer **Borders** Lucas Boy Lyness T. Brown Macer Burton Manning Campbell May Candelaria Reardon Mayfield Carbaugh McNamara Miller Cherry Chyung Moed

Clere Morris Cook □ Morrison Davisson Moseley Deal Negele Nisly DeLaney DeVon Pfaff Dvorak Pierce **Eberhart** Porter Ellington Prescott Engleman Pressel Errington Pryor Saunders Fleming Forestal Schaibley Frye Shackleford GiaQuinta Sherman Goodin Smaltz Goodrich V. Smith Gutwein Soliday Speedy □ Hamilton Harris Steuerwald Hatcher Stutzman

Sullivan

Summers

Torr

Thompson

VanNatter

Hatfield

Hostettler

Heaton

Heine

Huston

Vermilion J. Young Wesco Zent Wolkins Ziemke Wright Mr. Speaker

Roll Call 20: 98 present; 2 excused. The Speaker announced a quorum in attendance. [NOTE: □ indicates those who were excused.]

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that when we do adjourn, we adjourn until Wednesday, January 15, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

LEHMAN

The motion was adopted by a constitutional majority.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs, to which was referred House Bill 1009, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Replace the effective dates in SECTIONS 1 through 5 with "[EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2021]".

Page 3, line 15, delete "a resource" and insert "income".

(Reference is to HB 1009 as introduced.) and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

DeVon, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred House Bill 1032, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do

(Reference is to HB 1032 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0.

FRYE R, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Financial Institutions, to which was referred House Bill 1049, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1049 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

BURTON, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions, to which was referred House Bill 1111, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1111 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 12, Nays 1.

VANNATTER, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions, to which was referred House Bill 1143, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1143 as introduced.)

Committee Vote: Yeas 11, Nays 0.

VANNATTER, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions, to which was referred House Bill 1148, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning professions and occupations.

Page 1, delete lines 1 through 17, begin a new paragraph and insert:

- "SECTION 1. [EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2020] (a) Candidates for the certified public accountant examination may not take the examination prior to meeting the additional education requirements set forth in 872 IAC 1-1-6.1 through 872 IAC 1-1-6.6.
- (b) Except as provided in subsection (c), a candidate may not apply to take the examination until the candidate has completed all of the education requirements set forth in 872 IAC 1-1-6.1 through 872 IAC 1-1-6.6.
- (c) Notwithstanding subsection (b), a candidate may apply to take the examination up to sixty (60) days prior to the candidate's completion of the education requirements set forth in 872 IAC 1-1-6.1 through 872 IAC 1-1-6.6 after the board of accountancy or the board's designee receives a certificate of enrollment from the educational institution or institutions where the candidate is completing the candidate's education. The certificate of enrollment must:
 - (1) identify the courses in which the candidate is currently enrolled;
 - (2) if applicable, state that upon completion of the courses identified in subdivision (1), it is anticipated that the candidate will receive a baccalaureate or higher degree; and

(3) bear the seal of the institution or a notary public.

- (d) A candidate may be admitted to take the examination based on the information appearing on the certificate of enrollment. However, a candidate may only sit for the examination after all educational requirements set forth in 872 IAC 1-1-6.1 through 872 IAC 1-1-6.6 are completed.
- (e) Not later than sixty (60) days immediately following the taking of the first four (4) examination sections, a candidate who applied to sit for the examination under subsection (c) shall submit to the board, or the board's

designee, all final official transcripts and applicable supporting documentation indicating that the candidate has met all of the education requirements set forth in 872 IAC 1-1-6.1 through 872 IAC 1-1-6.6.

- (f) The board may cancel any examination scores received by a candidate who fails to meet the requirements in subsection (e). If an examination score is canceled, the candidate is not entitled to credit for any passed section of the examination.
- (g) The candidate must attain the uniform passing grade of at least seventy-five (75), scaled through a psychometrically acceptable standard setting procedure and approved by the board.
- (h) A candidate may take the required examination sections individually and in any order. Credit for any examination section passed shall be valid for a period of eighteen (18) months, which shall be calculated from the actual date the candidate took the examination section, without having to attain a minimum score on any failed examination sections, and without regard to whether the candidate has taken other examination sections, provided the following:
 - (1) Candidates must pass all sections of the examination within a rolling eighteen (18) month period, which shall begin on the date that the first passed examination section is taken.
 - (2) If a candidate does not pass all four (4) sections of the examination within the rolling eighteen (18) month period, credit for any examination section passed outside of the eighteen (18) month period will expire and that examination section must be retaken.
- (i) A candidate shall retain credit for any and all sections of the examination passed as a candidate of another state if such credit would have been given under then applicable requirements in Indiana.
- (j) A candidate shall be considered to have passed the examination once the candidate simultaneously holds valid credit for passing each section of the examination. For purposes of this SECTION, credit for passing a section of the examination is valid from the actual date of the testing event for that section, regardless of the date the candidate actually receives notice of the passing grade.

(k) Notwithstanding subsection (h), the board may in particular cases extend the term of credit validity upon a showing that credit was lost by reason of circumstances beyond the candidate's control.

(1) The board shall notify eligible candidates of the time, place, and procedures for the examination, or a candidate shall independently contact the board, the board's designee, or a test center operator to schedule the time, place, and procedures for the examination at an approved test site.

(m) The board shall adopt rules under IC 4-22-2 necessary to implement this SECTION.

(n) This SECTION expires July 1, 2021.".

Delete page 2.

Page 3, delete lines 1 through 30.

Renumber all SECTIONS consecutively.

(Reference is to HB 1148 as introduced.) and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: yeas 11, nays 0.

VANNATTER, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred House Bill 1151, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1151 as introduced.) Committee Vote: Yeas 12, Nays 0.

FRYE R, Chair

Report adopted.

COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety, to which was referred House Bill 1173, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Page 4, line 10, after "copies" insert "or microfilm". Page 4, line 11, after "copies" insert "or microfilm".

(Reference is to HB 1173 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.

Frye R, Chair

Report adopted.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

With consent of the members, the following bills and joint resolutions on Bill Lists 10 and 11 were read a first time by title and referred to the respective committees:

HB 1052 — Gutwein

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

HB 1060 — Miller D

Committee on Local Government

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1263 — May

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

HB 1264 — May

Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1266 — Ellington

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning trade regulation.

HB 1267 — Hostettler

Committee on Elections and Apportionment

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1269 — Candelaria Reardon

Committee on Public Policy

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning gaming.

HB 1272 — Candelaria Reardon

Committee on Insurance

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning insurance.

HB 1273 — Heine

Committee on Public Policy

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

HB 1274 — Heine

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state offices and administration and to make an appropriation.

HB 1275 — Heine

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1276 — Heine

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

HB 1277 — Heine

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

HB 1278 — Bauer, Torr

Committee on Judiciary

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1279 — Soliday

Committee on Government and Regulatory Reform

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

HB 1280 — Soliday

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

HB 1281 — Carbaugh

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

HB 1282 — Eberhart

Committee on Environmental Affairs

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.

HB 1283 — DeVon

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

HB 1284 — DeVon

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

HB 1285 — VanNatter

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

HB 1286 — Moseley

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

HB 1287 — Moseley

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1288 — Moseley

Committee on Elections and Apportionment

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1289 — Moseley

Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1290 — Moseley

Committee on Elections and Apportionment

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1291 — Abbott

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

HB 1292 — Bacon, Pressel, Zent

Committee on Elections and Apportionment

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1294 — Engleman

Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1295 — DeVon

Committee on Veterans Affairs and Public Safety

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1296 — Smith V

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

HB 1297 — Smith V

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

HB 1300 — Barrett

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

HB 1301 — Carbaugh

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1303 — Goodin, McNamara

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

HB 1304 — Prescott, Negele, Baird

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

HB 1305 — Stutzman

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

HB 1306 — DeLaney

Committee on Judiciary

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning civil procedure.

HB 1307 — Wolkins

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

HB 1308 — Wolkins

Committee on Local Government

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

HB 1310 — Wolkins, McNamara

Committee on Local Government

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

HB 1311 — Fleming

Committee on Public Policy

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

HB 1312 — Young J

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

HB 1313 — Young J, Steuerwald

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

HB 1314 — VanNatter

Committee on Judiciary

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1315 — VanNatter

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

HB 1316 — Pryor

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

HB 1317 — Kirchhofer

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

HB 1318 — Lindauer, Bartels, Davisson, Goodin

Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural resources.

HB 1319 — Lindauer

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

HB 1320 — Boy

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning criminal law and procedure.

HB 1321 — McNamara, Cook

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

HB 1322 — McNamara, Cook

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

HB 1323 — Borders

Committee on Judiciary

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1324 — Borders

Committee on Courts and Criminal Code

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

HB 1325 — Ellington

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

HB 1326 — Kirchhofer

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

HB 1327 — Soliday

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

HB 1328 — DeLaney

Committee on Utilities, Energy and Telecommunications

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning utilities.

HB 1329 — DeLaney

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

HB 1330 — Hamilton, Karickhoff

Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

HB 1333 — Lauer

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

HB 1335 — Morris

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

HB 1336 — Vermilion, Kirchhofer

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

HB 1337 — Hatfield

Committee on Environmental Affairs

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning environmental law.

HB 1338 — Dvorak

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

HB 1339 — Dvorak

Committee on Local Government

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

HB 1340 — Dvorak

Committee on Ways and Means

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

HB 1341 — Pfaff, Clere

Committee on Education

A BILL FOR AN ACT concerning education.

HB 1342 — Lindauer

Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning natural resources.

HB 1343 — Hostettler, McNamara

Committee on Judiciary

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning transportation.

HB 1344 — Lyness

Committee on Employment, Labor and Pensions

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning labor and safety.

HB 1345 — Lauer

Committee on Family, Children and Human Affairs

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning family law and juvenile law.

HB 1348 — Gutwein

Select Committee on Government Reduction

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

HB 1349 — Pfaff

Committee on Elections and Apportionment

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning elections.

HB 1350 — Goodin

Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning agriculture and animals.

HB 1351 — Vermilion

Committee on Public Health

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning alcohol and tobacco.

HB 1352 — Sullivan

Committee on Roads and Transportation

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning motor vehicles.

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILLS ON THIRD READING

Engrossed House Bill 1014

Representative Saunders called down Engrossed House Bill 1014 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 21: yeas 96, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill. Senate sponsor: Senators Gaskill.

Engrossed House Bill 1027

Representative Engleman called down Engrossed House Bill 1027 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning local government.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 22: yeas 53, nays 44. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill. Senate sponsor: Senator Bassler.

Engrossed House Bill 1047

Representative Steuerwald called down Engrossed House Bill 1047 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning courts and court officers.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 23: yeas 93, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill. Senate sponsors: Senators Young and Koch.

Engrossed House Bill 1067

Representative Zent called down Engrossed House Bill 1067 for third reading:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning professions and occupations.

The bill was read a third time by sections and placed upon its passage. The question was, Shall the bill pass?

Roll Call 24: yeas 95, nays 0. The bill was declared passed. The question was, Shall the title of the bill remain the title of the act? There being no objection, it was so ordered. The Clerk was directed to inform the Senate of the passage of the bill. Senate sponsor: Senator Leising.

RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING

House Resolution 3

Representative Bacon introduced House Resolution Bacon:

A HOUSE RESOLUTION congratulating Maggie Speicher on her retirement.

Whereas, Maggie Speicher began a long and successful career at St. Vincent Warrick Hospital in April, 1975;

Whereas, Ms. Speicher is an original hire at St. Vincent, formerly St. Mary's Warrick, and celebrates her retirement after 45 years; and

Whereas, The House of Representatives recognizes Ms. Speicher for her many contributions to St. Vincent Warrick in supporting the many clerical tasks necessary to operate a successful hospital: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the House of Representatives recognizes Ms. Maggie Speicher for her many years of service to St. Vincent Warrick Hospital and her community.

SECTION 2. That the House of Representatives congratulates Ms. Maggie Speicher on her retirement.

SECTION 3. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit copies of this resolution to the office of Representative Ronald Bacon for distribution.

The resolution was read a first time and adopted by voice vote.

OTHER BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that a committee of four members of this House be appointed by the Speaker, to act with a like committee of the Senate to wait upon the Governor of the State of Indiana and escort him to the Chambers of the House of Representatives to deliver his message to the General Assembly.

LEHMAN

Motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Representatives Burton, Wolkins, Chyung and Klinker.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that a committee of four members of this House be appointed by the Speaker, to act with a like committee of the Senate to wait upon the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Indiana and to escort her to the Chambers of the House of Representatives to deliver her message to the General Assembly.

LEHMAN

Motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Representatives Steuerwald, Young, Bauer and DeLaney.

RECESS

The House was called back to order at 6:45 p.m. by the Speaker.

JOINT CONVENTION

The members of the 121st General Assembly, meeting in Joint Convention, were called to order at 6:45 p.m. by the Speaker who introduced the Senate leadership, President Pro Tempore Rodric D. Bray, Majority Floor Leader Mark Messmer, Majority Caucus Chair James W. Merritt, Jr., Majority Whip Mike Crider, Minority Floor Leader Timothy S. Lanane, Minority Caucus Chair Karen R. Tallian, Minority Whip Lonnie M. Randolph; the House leadership, Majority Floor Leader Matt Lehman, Majority Caucus Chair Gregory E. Steuerwald, Speaker Pro Tempore Michael H. Karickhoff, Majority Whip Bob A. Heaton, Minority Leader Philip K. GiaQuinta, Minority Floor Leader Cherrish S. Pryor, Minority Caucus Chair Mara Candelaria Reardon, and Minority Whip

Justin Moed; and the honored guests as follows: Lt. Governor Suzanne Crouch and her husband Larry Downs, First Lady of Indiana, Janet Holcomb; Mrs. Cheryl Bosma; Mrs. Kelly Bray; The Honorable Auditor Tera Klutz, The Honorable Treasurer Kelly Mitchell, Attorney General Curtis Hill, Chief Justice Loretta Rush; Justice Steven H. David; Justice Christopher Goff; Justice Mark S. Massa; Justice Geoffrey Slaughter; Chief Judge Cale Bradford, Judge Robert Altice; Judge Mark Bailey; Judge John G. Baker; Judge Elaine Brown; Judge Terry Crone; Judge Paul Mathias; Judge Melissa May; Judge Rudolph Pyle; Judge Margret Robb; Judge Elizabeth Tavitas; The Honorable Kelly Mollaun, Mayor of Lawrenceburg; The Honorable Todd Barton, Mayor of Crawfordsville; The Honorable Tyler Moore, Mayor of Kokomo; The Honorable Lloyd Winnecke, Mayor of Evansville; The Honorable Bob Courtney, Mayor of Madison; Clark County Sheriff Jamey Noel; Porter County Sheriff Dave Reynolds; AMVETS - Commander Roger Williams; AMVETS -1st Vice Commander Jay Jones; American Legion - Commander Allan Connelly; American Legion - State Adjutant John Crosby; VFW - Commander Dave Capshaw; VFW - Legislative Chairman Richard Leirer; DAV - Commander David Ashe; DAV - Kevin Coley, State Adjutant; Special guests of the Governor; Roger Penske, Indianapolis Motor Speedway; Mark Miles, Indianapolis Motor Speedway; Tim Cindric, Indianapolis Motor Speedway; Lorin and Tina Smith; Brad Clark, VP of Engine/Transmission Manufacturing, Fiat-Chrysler North America; Rich Rankin, UAW Region 2-B Director; Dominic Grote, President and CEO of Grote Industries, Madison, Indiana; Amber Belcher, former DOC inmate and Grote Industries employee; USS Indianapolis Chief Petty Officer Dan O'Connell; USS Indianapolis Petty Officer First Class Gregory Simmons; USS Indianapolis Command Senior Chief Jimmie Halleran; and USS Indianapolis Chief Petty Officer Delila Edwards.

The Speaker introduced Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch, President of the Senate, and yielded the gavel to her.

Lieutenant Governor Crouch convened the joint session and presented the Governor as follows:

"Members of the Joint Assembly: Pursuant to Section 13 of Article 5 of the Indiana Constitution, the Indiana General Assembly is convened for the purpose of hearing a message from the Governor.

Ladies and Gentlemen of the House and Senate, and distinguished guests, I have the high honor of introducing our Governor, Eric Holcomb."

Governor Holcomb was escorted to the rostrum by Representatives Burton, Wolkins, boy and Kliner and Senators Ruckelshaus, Sandlin, Niezgodski and Melton.

STATE OF THE STATE

Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, Madam Chief Justice, Lt. Governor, members of the General Assembly, my fellow Hoosiers.

It's indeed an honor to stand before you to discuss the state of our state and the work we'll do to make life better for all Hoosiers.

And I'll get right to the point.

Thanks to the energy, ingenuity and hard work of Hoosiers across our state – and the work we're doing with them – the state of our state has never been stronger.

The economic numbers are compelling.

Since I first took this podium in 2017, our unemployment rate

has dropped to 3.2% – a 19-year low – lower than the national average and lower than every state we touch.

We've set all-time records in jobs commitments and capital investment. In fact, there are an additional 88,000 jobs in the IEDC's pipeline because of the work that's been done in the past three years.

And it's not just the quantity of these jobs, but the quality.

Last year's new jobs commitments averaged more than \$28 an hour – another all-time high.

And we're pressing on. I'm pleased to announce tonight that Fiat-Chrysler has chosen Indiana for diversification and will invest nearly \$400 million in its Kokomo facility. Brad Clark, vice president of powertrain manufacturing for Fiat-Chrysler and UAW Region 2 Director Rich Rankin are both with us tonight.

Later this week, I'll be excited to head to Princeton for a special Toyota announcement.

Congratulations and thank you for choosing Indiana.

Our strong economy didn't just happen. We earned it.

Throughout our time together, we've operated within an honestly balanced budget and protected our Triple-A credit rating.

We set aside \$2.3 billion in our state's savings account, which is in stark contrast to some of our neighbors.

Others have noticed, too. In 2019, we ranked:

- #1 in the Midwest and top five nationally "for business"
- #1 in "infrastructure"
- Top two in the nation for "long-term fiscal stability"

A recent editorial in The Chicago Tribune put it this way: "What does Indiana offer that Illinois doesn't? Lower taxes, more stable home values, balanced state budgets and funded pension systems."

36,000 people moved to our state last year, and Indiana's welcome mat is out for more who want to join us.

But I've always believed records are made to be broken and races are meant not just to be run, but to be won.

Tonight, ladies and gentlemen, we have with us two of the winningest men in all of sports, the new owner of our most globally recognized icon, the Indianapolis Motor Speedway, Roger Penske, and with him, the president of Penske Racing, a local boy who proved with a lot of hard work, Indiana dreams do come true, my lifelong pal, Tim Cindric.

Gentlemen, would you please stand up so we can fully express our Hoosier hospitality?

We look forward to many checkered flags in our future.

My friends, just like on the track, I have no intention of slowing down.

It was the great philosopher, Indiana Jones, who said, "To be a good archeologist, you gotta get out of the library."

Well, that's exactly what we're doing – canvassing the country and world, attracting talent and business to Indiana.

Last October, I met with Prime Minister Modi of India – the world's largest democracy. Population: 1.4 billion.

We talked about mutual interests in agriculture, sports and wellness, and after the meeting he tweeted out how pleased he was to his 50 million followers.

I'm convinced that because of relationships like this, our collaboration will yield more growth for both.

That's why Commerce Secretary Jim Schellinger and I recently announced that we will host the first Indiana Global Economic Summit here in April.

Not only will we bring together local economic development partners, but we'll also assemble diplomats and decision makers from around the world to discuss topics like cybersecurity, the future of mobility, and energy storage solutions.

In addition, I've set a goal to triple federal defense investment in our state and tasked Secretary Schellinger, his defense guru Clif Tooley and Brigadier General Dale Lyles at the National Guard to partner with other military, university, nonprofit and private stakeholders to implement our strategic plan to do just that.

With Crane, Muscatatuck and Atterbury, no state is better positioned to develop the future of warfare in areas like radar, sonar, hypersonics and drone technology.

Now, a booming economy requires a strong infrastructure and our growth has enabled us to make unprecedented investments into building "One Indiana," border to border.

We're completing I-69 from Evansville to Indy three years ahead of schedule, and we're making US 31 stoplight-free all the way up to South Bend.

But better roads must also mean safer roads.

That's why we must join 21 states that have already passed a "hands-free device driving law."

Distracted driving increases the risk of a crash by more than 3½ times and is a leading killer of teenagers in America.

This is unacceptable and avoidable.

Last August, Tina and Lorin Smith were riding motorcycles in a fundraising event and pulled off the road to check their mileage when they were sideswiped by a minivan whose driver was looking at her cell phone.

Both Tina and Lorin lost a leg in that accident.

Rather than ask "Why me?" they asked themselves how they could be part of a solution, and they've become advocates for reducing distracted driving ever since.

Tina and Lorin, we hear you, and we're honored to have you with us tonight.

Now, being the Crossroads of America means more than just building roads.

That's why we're cleaning up our highways, having picked up nearly 16 million pounds of litter last year, blazing the most trail

friendly state in the nation, connecting thousands of unserved homes and businesses to high speed internet service, adding more nonstop flights, transforming northwest Indiana with two rail projects totaling well over a billion dollars, finishing our due diligence on a fourth water port in Lawrenceburg, and facilitating the investment of \$436 million in 20 communities to improve local community water infrastructure, just part of what cities all over the state are doing to enhance their water systems.

Furthermore, Indiana has the cleanest air and water since the Clean Air & Water Acts of the 1970s passed, and we now have four times more timberland acreage than we did 100 years ago.

Recently, I learned the Central Indiana Land Trust has committed to planting one million trees throughout Indiana that will buffer some of our most iconic natural areas. I'm proud to announce tonight, that I've directed the Department of Natural Resources to plant another million trees on top of that over the next five years.

That extra timberland will perfectly complement our \$100 million renovation to our incredible memory-making state parks.

There's another project that's especially close to my heart.

Last session, we exempted military pensions from state income taxes. Thank you.

Tonight I'm delighted to announce that in the spring we will open the first facility in the country to bring together everything our veterans need – from the VA, to the DAV, the Indiana Veterans Initiative, VFW, and the American Legion all under one roof.

Thank you all for helping us make this happen!

For all we're doing to make Indiana stronger, the most important investment we can make is in our most important asset – our people.

Whether it's making sure every child has access to a quality education or creating tools like the ICC phone app that shows where 92,000 open jobs are right now, everything we do is aimed at ensuring every Hoosier can take the greatest advantage of their talents, drive and aspirations.

This, of course, starts with a good education, and that means great schools filled with great teachers.

I know a little about this. My mother was a teacher, and I saw how hard she worked.

Teaching, to her, was not a job but a calling. I'd go so far as to say a gift, and from the many conversations I've had with teachers across our state, I know they feel the exact same way.

That's why I created the Teacher Compensation Commission and asked them to come up with a sustainable plan to make our teacher salaries competitive with other Midwestern states. Their report is due this spring, but we didn't wait.

Last year, we devoted an unprecedented increase of \$763 million new dollars in K12 education, including paying down \$150 million in the Teacher Retirement Fund, which freed up \$65 million more a year for teacher pay increases.

All of our school corporations have finalized their locally bargained contracts and more Indiana school districts have raised teacher salaries this year than in any other year in recent history.

Tonight, I am recommending that in the next budget the General Assembly use an additional \$250 million from our surplus and put it toward teacher retirement funds. In turn, \$50 million a year will be generated to redirect to teacher pay.

Together that's \$115 million more available annually to increase teacher pay with more to come after the Compensation Commission releases its recommendations.

And this year, we'll also work with the K-12 community to eliminate unfunded mandates and unnecessary paperwork. We'll make optional the requirement that teachers earn career-related professional growth points. We'll see to it that last year's ILEARN proficiency test scores don't adversely affect teacher evaluations and school letter grades. We'll make sure every school in the state has a relationship with a mental health provider. And we'll financially support educators who are working on the requirements to teach dual credit courses come 2022.

Now, our efforts to provide career opportunities to every Hoosier don't end at the classroom door.

As I've said from day one, Hoosiers can outcompete anyone, anywhere, any day.

But the vast majority of today's jobs require education and training beyond high school.

That's why our goal that 60% of all Hoosier adults have a post-secondary education and training remains critical to our collective success. This is the real game-changer to addressing income inequality, upward mobility and driving economic growth.

Thankfully, there are multiple paths to success.

It might be a two- or four-year degree or it might be a high-value credential or certificate.

The good news is the number of Hoosiers with higher education has increased by 10 percentage points since 2008.

So, we're moving in the right direction and doubling down with some homegrown training programs. When the job seeker puts in the time to train, the state will pay for it.

And over the past three years, more than 23,000 Hoosiers enrolled in our Workforce Ready Programs. As of the start of this year, 10,000 of them have completed a Next Level Jobs Workforce Ready-eligible certificate program. This is a mega milestone for the program.

Another 2,000 Hoosiers who previously started college but didn't finish came back and completed their post-secondary educations.

And more than 900 businesses have trained their employees using our Employer Training Grants, providing training for more than 9,000 members of our workforce.

This is huge progress and we won't overlook anyone who is aspiring to be successful.

That includes Hoosiers with disabilities, who seek to live and work in a safe, affordable and accessible environment. I join my partner, Lieutenant Governor Crouch, who is spearheading efforts to make that dream a reality for the 100,000 Hoosiers with an intellectual or developmental disability.

We've also dedicated resources to those who need a second chance.

I challenged our Department of Correction to graduate 1,000 inmates annually in certified programs that lead to good jobs when they get out – both to boost our economy and because they are less likely to return to prison.

I'm happy to report, that as of today the DOC has graduated more than 3,000 inmates in just two year.

I'm especially encouraged by the number of employers stepping up to offer second chances to returning citizens.

Among them is Grote Industries, a family business in Madison that designs and manufactures lighting systems for vehicles.

The company needed skilled manufacturing employees, and the DOC connected them with offenders who had received that exact training while at the Madison Women's Prison.

Grote hired its first worker from the program a year ago and today has five.

One is Amber Campbell, who spent more than five years in prison but got certified in manufacturing safety, production and maintenance.

She joined Grote in April last year and has already earned a promotion to team leader.

She says her training "gave me the confidence that I can do anything as long as I work for it."

For CEO Dominic Grote, it's a win/win. Along with Amber, he has another employee getting a degree to get a better job at Grote and two others pursuing degrees at Ivy Tech to become engineers – and, he hopes, stay with the company.

Amber, on behalf of our state, we thank you for all your hard work, and Dominic, we thank you for giving her that shot.

Because of these new programs and opportunities, our state recidivism rate has dropped 4 percent.

But in the spirit of always improving, I have a new challenge for Commissioner Carter and the DOC.

By 2022, I want 500 returning citizens annually to have validated job opportunities waiting for them before they walk out of prison, and 3,000 more formerly incarcerated individuals in jobs within five months of their release.

That's why I've proposed to redesign the way we provide education credit to inmates so they have more incentive to holistically engage in addiction recovery treatment, mental health management, and vocational development. So they can reenter our communities as engaged neighbors, forever removed from the criminal justice system.

And, finally, we're determined to improve the health of our citizens, which means tackling some of the toughest individual challenges out there.

We've taken many steps to attack the opioid epidemic, including restricting the number of prescriptions and increasing outpatient addiction treatment and the trend is finally improving.

In 2018, opioid prescriptions dropped 12% – faster than the national average – and, most importantly, deaths from drug

overdoses went down nearly 13% – twice the decline of the national average.

We also need to do more to reduce another kind of addiction.

We know that 95% of smokers start the habit before age 21, and there's been an alarming rise in e-cigarette use among Indiana's youth.

In addition to raising the age to 21, we'll also seek to increase the penalties for retailers who sell tobacco and vaping products to underage buyers.

Our message hasn't changed: If you peddle illegal substances to our kids, we're coming after you.

We're also coming after high health care costs.

That's why we'll establish an all-payer claims database as a first step to improve information about hospital pricing and insurance reimbursement, giving Hoosiers more transparency to make better choices.

We'll also require that providers give a good-faith cost estimate five days before the care is provided, and we'll require in-network facilities to ensure their patients receive care at the network cost.

Because when you're injured or ill, the last thing you need is a surprise when you receive a medical bill.

I also want to report on the progress we've made at our Department of Child Services.

In 2018, I tasked Director Terry Stigdon to right the ship, and she did just that, undertaking a total culture change, focused on supporting the frontline staff who work directly with children.

The result is a much more stable workforce. The turnover rate of family case managers has been reduced by 18%.

And now we're seeing significantly improved safety outcomes – fewer kids in the system, fewer returning to the system and a faster rate to permanency.

This is real progress, but there is always more work to do.

For example, the department facilitated nearly 2,500 adoptions in 2019, but there are 1,400 other children currently available for adoption.

For this reason, tonight I'm creating the first adoption unit within the DCS.

This unit will bring additional staff into each region whose sole focus will be assisting family case managers with finding permanent homes for children when parental rights have been terminated.

We also must cut the time it takes to adopt to under a year.

Not only will this new unit help our most precious population find a permanent home faster, but it will also enable family case managers to focus on their primary mission of protecting children in need and realize a parent's desire to start or grow their own family.

Lastly, you'll recall, I challenged us to become the best state in the Midwest for infant mortality by 2024. There's no better person in the nation to lead this effort than our Health Commissioner Dr. Kris Box, an OB-GYN and expert in this field.

The Levels of Care program I asked you to approve ensures that the highest-risk babies are now delivered at hospitals with the necessary facilities.

And more expecting mothers are being verbally screened for substance-use-disorder and receive support and medicine when they need it.

Steps like these are making a difference.

Our infant mortality rate decreased significantly from 2017 to 2018 and is at its lowest since 2012.

Moreover, the OB Navigator program you approved last year is up and running in Allen County and is set to go live in 19 more counties by the end of this year.

And to help more moms and their babies get off to a healthier start, we're pursuing legislation that 27 other states have already adopted that will require employers to provide reasonable accommodations for pregnant workers.

My fellow Hoosiers, we've become known around the world as "A State that Works."

I want Indiana to become known as "A State that Works for All."

Where every citizen – no matter their background or age or who they love or whether they grew up here or arrived last week – has equal access and opportunity to go as far as they wish and are willing to work to get there.

That's what I'll continue to fight for.

Some said it was a mistake to take on vexing issues that had defied solutions for decades, like drug addiction or infant mortality.

But we took them on, and now we're seeing positive results.

That's what Next Level means to me.

Keeping our record-setting economy rolling. Yes!

Building an infrastructure that connects us in every way. Absolutely!

Giving Hoosiers the tools they need to live healthier lives. For sure!

But more than that, making sure the enormous bounty of this state that we all love reaches every citizen wherever they live, whatever their aspirations.

I look forward to working with you to make it happen.

May God continue to bless us and our great state!

OTHER BUSINESS ON THE SPEAKER'S TABLE

Referrals to Ways and Means

The Speaker announced, pursuant to House Rule 127, that House Bill 1111 had been referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Lehman, Carbaugh and Shackleford be added as coauthors of House Bill 1005.

SCHAIBLEY

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Huston, DeVon and Pryor be added as coauthors of House Bill 1009.

GOODRICH

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Macer be added as coauthor of House Bill 1011.

BACON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Fleming and Shackleford be added as coauthors of House Bill 1067.

ZENT

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Thompson and Harris be added as coauthors of House Bill 1071.

SCHAIBLEY

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative McNamara be added as coauthor of House Bill 1076.

PRYOR

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative May be added as coauthor of House Bill 1080.

BARRETT

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative May be added as coauthor of House Bill 1082.

HEATON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Macer be added as coauthor of House Bill 1086.

GOODRICH

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Barrett and Fleming be added as coauthors of House Bill 1129.

LAUER

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Summers and Fleming be added as coauthors of House Bill 1130.

STUTZMAN

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Morris, Judy and Bartlett be added as coauthors of House Bill 1143.

MORRISON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative May be added as coauthor of House Bill 1147.

MORRISON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Soliday be added as coauthor of House Bill 1169.

PRESSEL

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Judy, Zent and Macer be added as coauthors of House Bill 1173.

FRYE

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives DeVon, Vermilion and Summers be added as coauthors of House Bill 1176.

CLERE

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Lindauer, Fleming and Bacon be added as coauthors of House Bill 1185.

BARTELS

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives McNamara and Hatfield be added as coauthors of House Bill 1186.

BARTELS

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Judy be added as coauthor of House Bill 1187.

BARTELS

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Frye, Pressel and Forestal be added as coauthors of House Bill 1189.

MAYFIELD

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representatives Lindauer and VanNatter be added as coauthors of House Bill 1196.

JUDY

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative GiaQuinta be added as coauthor of House Bill 1197.

ABBOTT

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Karickhoff be added as coauthor of House Bill 1232.

BAIRD

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Wolkins be added as coauthor of House Bill 1265.

JACKSON

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Lehman be added as coauthor of House Bill 1280.

SOLIDAY

Motion prevailed.

HOUSE MOTION

Mr. Speaker: I move that Representative Lindauer be added as coauthor of House Bill 1305.

STUTZMAN

Motion prevailed.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed Engrossed Senate Bill 2 and the same is herewith transmitted to the House for further action.

JENNIFER L. MERTZ Principal Secretary of the Senate

Pursuant to House Rule 60, committee meetings were announced.

On the motion of Representative Lehman, the House adjourned at 7:40 p.m., this fourteenth day of January, 2020, until Wednesday, January 15, 2020, at 1:30 p.m.

BRIAN C. BOSMA Speaker of the House of Representatives

M. CAROLINE SPOTTS Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives